Role Playing

Administrator – John McCoy

Mr. McCoy is a new principal at ABCD Middle School. Last year he was a high school social studies and history teacher at EFGH High School in the same district.

His Position – very flexible, does not like uniforms but will accept them and enforce the policy if passed.

Teacher 1 - Lorene Briscoe

Ms. Briscoe has been a teacher at ABCD Middle School for 21 years. She has always taught 8th grade general mathematics; she has refused to teach anything else, and previous principals have not challenged her.

Her Position – wants every kid in khaki pants (or skirts for girls) and navy blue or kelly green polo shirts (navy blue and kelly green are the school colors).

Teacher 2 - Ramona Garcia

Ms. Garcia is a third-year teacher at ABCD Middle School. She teaches humanities and drama. Prior to beginning her teaching career, she was a ESL teacher in Spain. She is regarded as being very flamboyant.

Her Position – every child is an individual, and dress is a way to express that individuality.

Teacher 3 – Arnold Van Buren

Mr. Van Buren is the physical education teacher at ABCD Middle School. Prior to teaching, he was a sergeant in the Army. He is noted as being a strong disciplinarian at the school.

His Position – he believes that if kids dress appropriately and neatly, student achievement will increase.

Parent 1 - Connie Seneca

Ms. Seneca has 7th-grade twin girls who attend ABCD Middle School. She previously served on an elementary school council, but this is her first year on the middle school council. Her children are in the gifted and talented program.

Her Position – her children are well-behaved and shouldn't be punished for the acts of others.

Parent 2 - Janice Hawkins

Ms. Hawkins has four children, two of which are at ABCD Middle School -- a 6th-grade girl and an 8th-grade boy. The other two children are in elementary school. She is a single parent who has only a high school education. Her children are relatively well-behaved, but can be mischievous at times.

Her Position – she believes that there is cost savings with uniforms, but she doesn't understand all of the factors that go into uniforms. She has lots of questions, but is in favor of uniforms for the savings factor only.